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ALLAN "ROCKY" LANE

And His Stallion BLACK JACK

with **EDDY WALLER**

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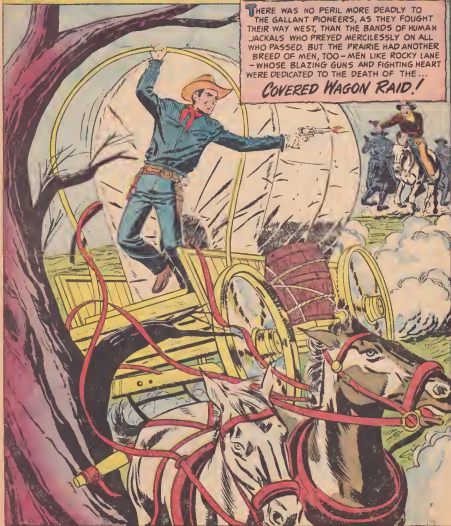


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COVERED WAGON RAID

THERE WAS NO PERIL MORE DEADLY TO THE GALLANT PIONEERS, AS THEY FOUGHT THEIR WAY WEST, THAN THE BANDS OF HUMAN JACKALS WHO PREYED MERCILESSLY ON ALL WHO PASSED. BUT THE PRAIRIE HAD ANOTHER BREED OF MEN, TOO—MEN LIKE ROCKY LANE—WHOSE BLAZING GUNS AND FIGHTING HEART WERE DEDICATED TO THE DEATH OF THE...

COVERED WAGON RAID!



ONE MORNING ON THE ROAD TO CHANDLERVILLE...

WILL OUR NEW HOUSE BE BIG, DADDY?

I'VE ENOUGH MONEY IN THIS BOX TO BUY A GREAT BIG PLACE, SUSIE.

I WISH MOMMIE COULD BE THERE, TOO.

SO DO I, SUSIE. BUT YOU AND I WILL GET ALONG, -- SOMEHOW.

BUT HOSTILE EYES WATCH...

THERE'S THAT WAGON NOW, BRAG.

ALL RIGHT, GRIF. LET'S GO!

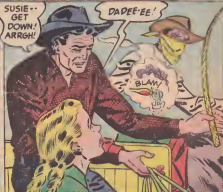


DADDY! THOSE MEN ARE SHOOTING AT US!

COME ON, YOU BANGTAILS-- HAUL FREIGHT!

SUSIE-- GET DOWN! ARRGH!

DADEE-EE!



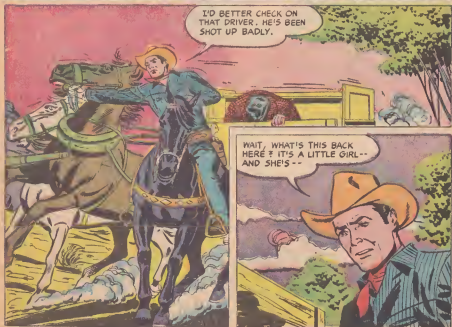
ALL RIGHT! HOLD THE HORSES. I'LL GET THE STRONG BOX.

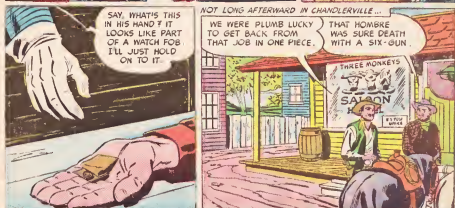
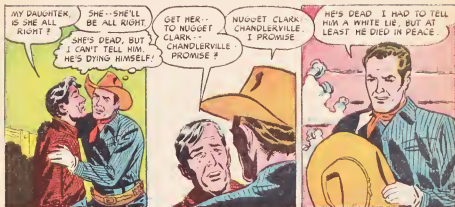
NO--NO! IT'S ALL I'VE GOT IN THE WORLD. PLEASE... PLEASE...

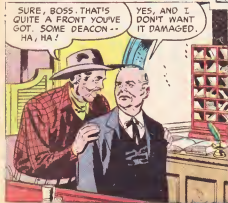
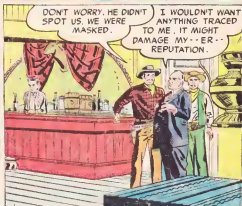
TRY TO STOP ME, WILL YOU? THIS'LL LEARN YOU!

UH!









AND NOW, IF YOU WILL EXCUSE ME, I'LL TEND TO THE MAIL.

SURE, DEACON.

AND INSIDE...

QUITE A PILE FOR NUGGET CLARK. HM, WONDER WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY?

THE TEMPTATION IS TOO GREAT. (SIGH.) MY CURIOSITY'S GOT THE BETTER OF ME.



A SHORT TIME AFTER...

WHERE DO I FIND NUGGET CLARK?

OUT AT THE CHANDLER RANCH.

HEY, DEACON, HE'S THE HOMBRE WHO SHOT AT US THIS AFTERNOON.



I WOULDN'T LIKE ANY INTERFERENCE WITH OUR PLANS JUST NOW, GRIF. NOT WITH ALL THE MONEY ARRIVING IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

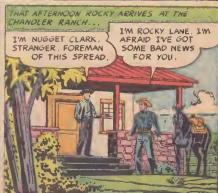
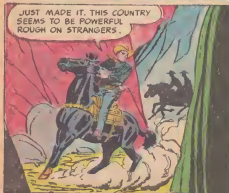
THERE WON'T BE ANY. I'LL SEE TO THAT.

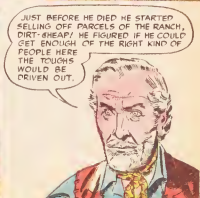
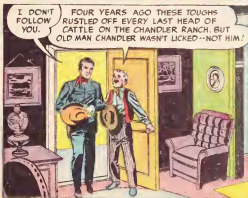
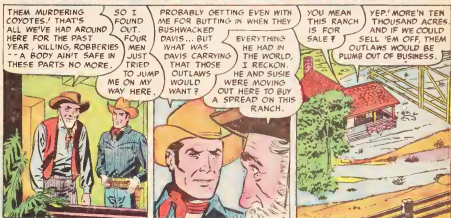
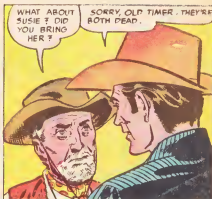
BRAG, PICK UP A COUPLE OF THE BOYS AND FOLLOW ME. I'LL KEEP HIM IN SIGHT!

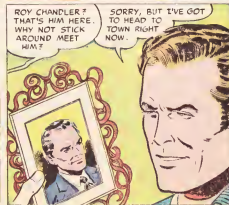
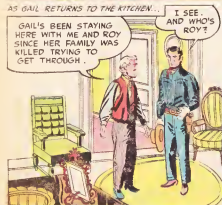
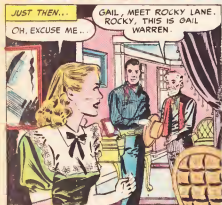
RIGHT, GRIF.

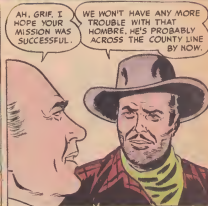
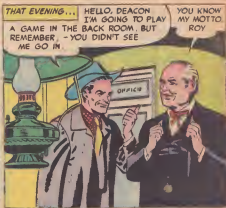
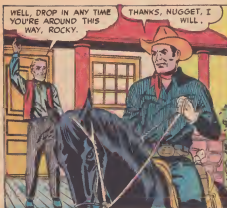


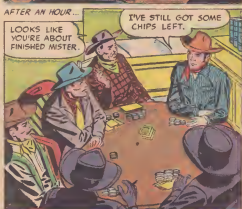
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AND ROCKY READS THE FRIGHTENED TRUTH IN BRAGS EYES...

F-FOUR QUEENS

CASH ME OUT, BOYS.

I'VE FOUND OUT ALL I WANT TO KNOW. THAT LOOK IN HIS FACE IS AS GOOD AS A CONFESSION. I'LL GO FOR THE SHERIFF!

I'LL BE SEEING YOU.

I'LL GO OUT THROUGH THIS SIDE DOOR. IT'LL BE SAFER THAN THE REAR.

HEY! THAT'S MY WATCH FOR HE TOOK. THE ONE I LOST PART OF WHERE WE...

HOLD IT, BRAG! YOU TALK TOO MUCH.

BUT IF HE TELLS THE LAW WHERE HE FOUND THE OTHER HALF, HE CAN PIN THE WHOLE THING ON US!

YOU MEAN HE CAN PIN IT ON YOU!

YOU CAN'T CRAWL OUT OF THIS. YOU WERE... EEEYAH!

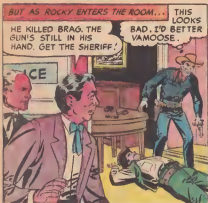
I SAID YOU TALKED TOO MUCH!

BLAM!

ALL RIGHT, MEN. GET OUT OF HERE QUICK! AND YOU, KID--BEAT IT AND KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT.

ALL--ALL RIGHT, GRIF!

A SHOT! SOMETHING'S HAPPENED IN THAT ROOM. I'D BETTER CHECK.

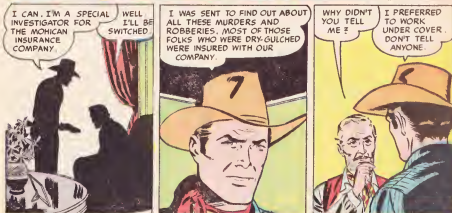


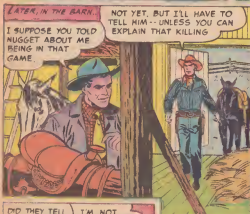
AS ARMED MEN CROWD THE ALLEY, LOOKING FOR ROCKY, A WINDOW OPENS QUIETLY ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BUILDING AND...



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SOON ROCKY ARRIVES AT THE CHANDLER RANCH...





MAYBE THEY WOULDN'T
THANK YOU IF THEY KNEW
YOU WERE UP TO YOUR
NECK IN MURDER.

I TELL YOU I
DIDN'T KILL HIM
IT WAS SOMEBODY
ELSE SOME
STRANGERS.



YOU'RE PROTECTING KILLERS
NUGGET AND GAIL WOULD
BE PROUD OF YOU



THINK IT OVER
CAREFULLY, ROY.
I'LL BE WAITING
FOR YOUR ANSWER.

I'VE THOUGHT IT OVER, LANE!
I'M GOING TO HANDLE THIS
BY MYSELF



LATER, AT THE DEACON'S PLACE

I'VE BEEN
BUSY

ROY, I'VE BEEN LOOKING
EVERYWHERE FOR YOU WHEN
YOU DIDN'T COME HOME
FOR DINNER I...



ROY, YOU'VE BEEN
GAMBLING AGAIN.
HOW LONG DO YOU
THINK YOU CAN
KEEP THIS FROM
NUGGET?

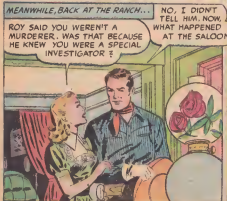
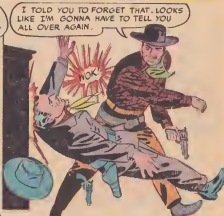
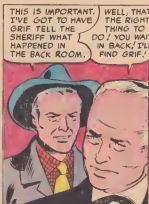
I WON'T HAVE TO, ROCKY
LANE STRAIGHTENED ME
OUT ON SOMETHING AND
I'VE GOT TO TAKE CARE
OF IT NOW.

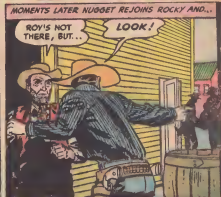
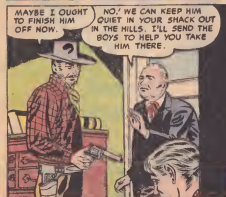


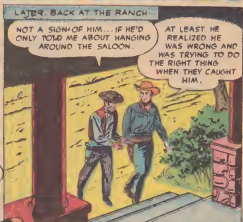
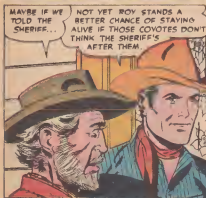
ROCKY LANE! BUT
HE'S THE ONE WHO
KILLED THAT MAN..

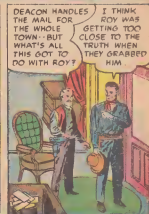
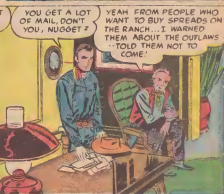
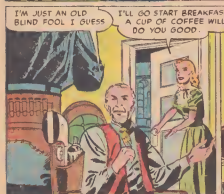
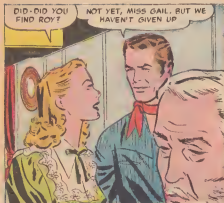
NO, HE DIDN'T BUT
YOU'D BETTER GO.
GAIL, I'VE GOT
SOMETHING TO DO
HERE

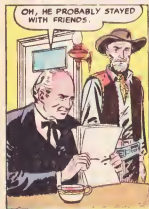
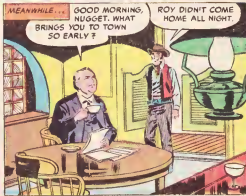
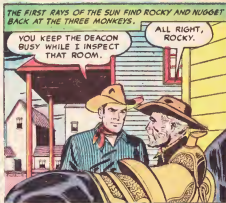


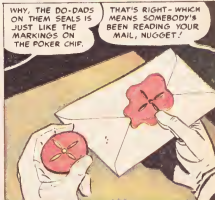
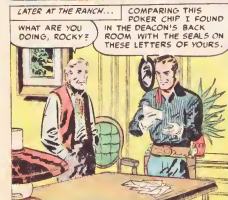
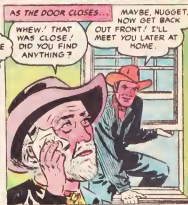
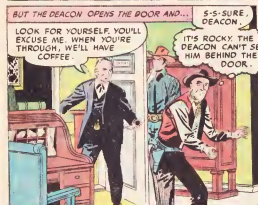












THEY OPENED THE LETTERS, THEN
BROILED THE FLAPS, BUT WHEN
THEY PATCHED UP THE WAX SEALS,
THEY MADE THE MISTAKE OF
USING THE SAME SEAL FOR ALL
THE LETTERS -- THIS
POKER CHIP.



THEN THE
DEACON
IS GUILTY!



MAYBE, BUT WE
CAN'T PROVE IT.
ANYONE COULD
HAVE GOTTEN
HOLD OF A CHIP.

GUESS YOU'RE
RIGHT. SO THAT'S
HOW THEY'VE
BEEN FINDING
OUT WHEN
FOLKS WERE
DUE TO ARRIVE.

DIDN'T YOU
SAY
SOMEBODY
WAS COMING
TODAY?



THAT AFTERNOON, NUGGET AND ROCKY SEE THE OUTLAWS
ATTACK...

YEAH, A FELLOW
NAMED EVANS IS
DUE THIS AFTERNOON

WE'RE GOING TO
MEET HIM. BRING
AN EXTRA GUN.

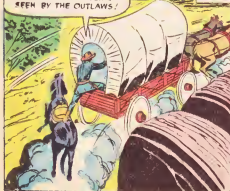


THAT MUST BE EVANS'
WAGON THEY'RE
SHOOTING UP.
GET GOING!

OKAY, ROCKY.
I'LL FOLLOW THE
WAGON AND KEEP
OUT OF SIGHT
BEHIND THIS RIDGE.



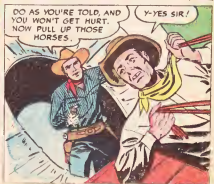
THAT BEND IN THE TRAIL GIVES
ME A CHANCE TO CLIMB INTO THE
WAGON WITHOUT BEING
SEEN BY THE OUTLAWS!



THE DRIVER TURNS AT THE NOISE BEHIND HIM, AND...

DO AS YOU'RE TOLD, AND
YOU WON'T GET HURT.
NOW PULL UP THOSE
HORSES.

Y-YES SIR!



AS THE OUTLAWS RIDE UP TO THE WAGON A FUSILLADE OF SHOTS COMES FROM THE NEARBY RIDGE.

HANDS UP! MY MEN ON THE RIDGE HAVE COVERED YOU.



BANG!
BANG!
BANG!

FOOLED BY ROCKY'S RUSE, THE OUTLAWS DROP THEIR GUNS...

YOU'RE GONNA GET HURT, HOMRE. THE BOSS WON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF YOU MOVING IN

TELL YOUR BOSS I KNOW JUST WHEN WAGONS ARE COMING IN AND I'M AIMING TO GRAB THEM FOR MYSELF UNLESS HE WANTS TO JOIN IN WITH ME.



IF HE DOES, THERE'S AN OLD DESERTED RAILWAY STATION ABOUT A MILE DOWN THE ROAD. HE CAN MEET ME THERE AT MIDNIGHT TONIGHT.



AS THE MASKED MEN DISAPPEAR DOWN THE TRAIL...

WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? LATER, ALL I CAN TELL YOU IS I'M NOT AN OUTLAW AND YOU'RE NOT IN TROUBLE.



HOW'D I DO ROCKY?

FINE! NOW LET'S GET EVANS TO YOUR RANCH AND KEEP THE WAGON OUT OF SIGHT.

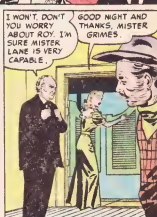


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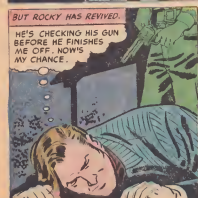
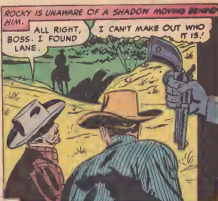
IF LANE KNOWS AS MUCH AS HE CLAIMS TO HE CAN MOVE IN ON OUR WHOLE SET-UP. I'LL MEET HIM AND FIND OUT JUST WHAT HIS GAME IS BE BACK HERE AT ELEVEN TONIGHT.

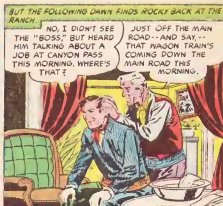
OKAY, DEACON.

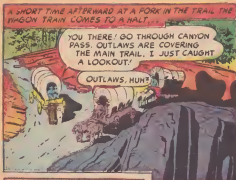




LATER AT THE ABANDONED RELAY STATION...



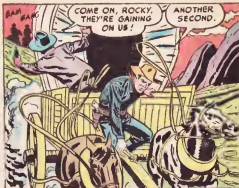
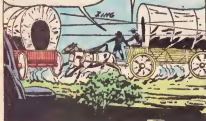




WITH ROY'S ROPES CUT AWAY, ROCKY IS READY FOR ACTION.

I'LL UNHITCH THESE HORSES AND WRECK THE WAGON, THAT'LL BLOCK THIS TRAIL.

HERE. THIS CROWBAR SHOULD HELP YOU LOOSEN THE KING-PIN.



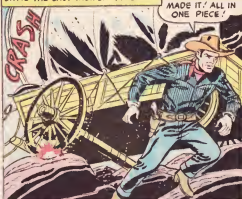
COME ON, ROCKY. THEY'RE GAINING ON US!

ANOTHER SECOND.

THE PIN'S GIVING WAY! JUMP, ROY, JUMP!



WITH THE WAGON CAREENING WILDLY, ROCKY HOLDS ON UNTIL THE LAST MOMENT, THEN...

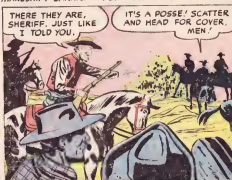


MADE IT! ALL IN ONE PIECE!

WITH ROY'S HELP I THINK WE CAN STOP THOSE BUZZARDS AND SAVE THE OTHER WAGONS-- BUT THE ODDS ARE PRETTY HEAVY.



THE OUTLAWS POUR A RELENTLESS FIRE INTO THE MAKESHIFT BARRICADE! BUT SUDDENLY...



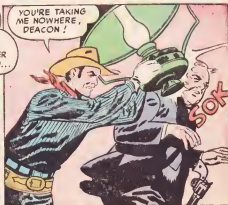
THERE THEY ARE, SHERIFF. JUST LIKE I TOLD YOU.

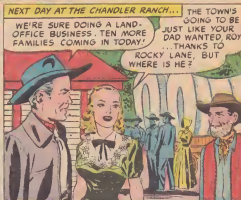
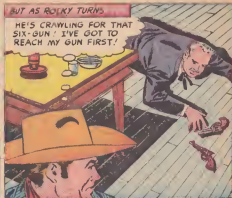
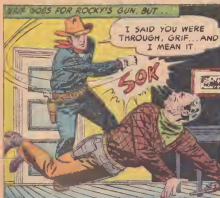
IT'S A POSSE! SCATTER AND HEAD FOR COVER, MEN!

AS THE OUTLAWS RUN, BLACK JACK APPEARS...



BLACK JACK'S HEART AND HOOF'S ARE EQUAL TO THE CHASE...AND SOON...







"ROCKY" LANE

PLUNGES FEARLESSLY INTO A VALLEY OF VENGEANCE IN

"COVERED WAGON RAID"

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GORDON FAWCETT,
Business Manager,

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of September, 1936.

(Seal)

LILLIAN M. BUSHLEY,
Notary Public.

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